Post Offices in Gujarat

*78 SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;

(a) the number of new post offices sanctioned and set up in the rural areas of Gujarat during 2000-2001, district wise;

(b) the time-bound programme in this regard; and

(c) the places where no post offices have been set up so far and whether they fulfil the prescribed criteria for setting up of new post offices?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) to (c) 9 post offices were opened during the year 2000-2001. The district-wise distribution of the same is given in the Statement (See below). It is also stated that so far there are two proposals pending for opening of post offices which are justified according to the prescribed criteria. One of them is at Tantithaia in Surat district and the other is at Sambal-Pani in Banaskantha district.

Statement

District-wise Details of New Post Offices Sanctioned and Set up in the Rural Areas of Gujarat During 2000-2001

Name of District	No. of New Post office(s) sanctioned and set up
Banaskantha	1
Gandhinagar	1
Sabarkantha	2
Dahod	1
Panchmahal	1
Valsad	1
Narmada	1
Surat	1
TOTAL	9

Impact of Terrorist Attacks on Tourism Sector

*79. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:
SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY:
Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state: